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### **EMT-P ACCREDITATION**

### I. PURPOSE

To define the accreditation requirements for an eligible applicant to practice as an Emergency Medical Technician - Paramedic (EMT-P) within the counties of Inyo, Mono and San Bernardino.

# II. ELIGIBILITY

Possess a current California State Paramedic EMT-P License.

#### III. PROCEDURE

## **Initial EMT-P Accreditation**

- 1. Submit a completed online application using the ICEMA EMS Credentialing portal found on the ICEMA website at http://www.ICEMA.net that includes:
  - a. Copy of a valid government issued photo identification.
  - b. Copy of a valid California EMT-P license.
  - c. Copy of an EMT-P course completion certificate.
  - d. Copy of a valid American Heart Association BLS Healthcare Provider, American Red Cross Professional Rescuer CPR card or equivalent. Online course is acceptable with written documentation of skills portion.
  - e. Copy (front and back) of a current American Heart Association Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) card. ACLS cards that are obtained online must have hands on skills evaluation with an approved American Heart Association instructor.
- 2. Submit the appropriate ICEMA fee. Fees paid for accreditation are not refundable or transferable.
- 3. Submit verification of employment or intent to employ as an EMT-P by an authorized Advance Life Support (ALS) service provider or by an EMS provider that has formally requested ALS authorization in the ICEMA region.

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4. A provisional card may be issued upon receipt of Items 1 - 3 above. The provisional EMT-P may function using the approved State Basic Scope of Practice while working with a partner who is fully accredited as an EMT-P within the ICEMA region for thirty (30) calendar days from receipt of completed application. The ICEMA Medical Director may extend this provisional status for just cause.

- 5. Complete an ALS provider conducted orientation (not to exceed eight (8) classroom hours) of ICEMA protocols, policies and optional scope of practice skills. This requirement is waived for EMT-P accreditation applicants who graduate from an approved EMT-P training institution in the ICEMA region.
- 6. Pass the ICEMA accreditation written examination with a minimum score of eighty percent (80%).
  - a. A candidate who fails to pass the ICEMA accreditation exam on the first attempt will have to pay the ICEMA approved fee and re-take the exam with a minimum passing score of eighty-five (85%).
  - b. A candidate who fails to pass the ICEMA accreditation exam on the second attempt will have to pay the ICEMA approved fee, and provide documentation of eight (8) hours of remedial training in ICEMA protocols, policies/procedures given by their EMS/QI Coordinator and pass the ICEMA exam with a minimum passing score of eighty-five (85%).
  - c. If the candidate fails to pass the ICEMA accreditation exam on the third attempt, the candidate will be ineligible for accreditation for a period of six (6) months, at which time candidate must reapply and successfully complete all initial accreditation requirements.
- 7. Successfully complete a supervised field evaluation to consist of no less than five (5), but no more than ten (10) ALS responses. This requirement is waived for applicants who graduate from an approved EMT-P training institution in the ICEMA region, and meet **all** of the following conditions:
  - a. Course completion was within six (6) months of the date of application for accreditation.
  - b. Field internship was obtained within the ICEMA region with an ICEMA approved EMT-P preceptor.
- 8. The Medical Director shall evaluate any candidate who fails to complete the field evaluation and may recommend further evaluation or training as required. Failure to complete the supervised field evaluation may constitute failure of the entire process.

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9. The EMT-P shall be responsible for notifying ICEMA of any and all changes in name, employer, email and/or mailing address within thirty (30) calendar days of change. This notification/change may be made through the ICEMA EMS Credentialing portal found on the ICEMA website at http://www.ICEMA.net.

## Reverification

- 1. Possess a valid California EMT-P license and ICEMA accreditation. If ICEMA accreditation has lapsed for more than one (1) year, the applicant must comply with the initial accreditation procedures.
- 2. Submit a completed online application using the ICEMA EMS Credentialing portal found on the ICEMA website at http://www.ICEMA.net that includes:
  - a. Copy of a valid government issued photo identification.
  - b. Copy of a valid California EMT-P license.
  - c. Copy of a valid American Heart Association BLS Healthcare Provider, American Red Cross Professional Rescuer CPR card or equivalent. Online course is acceptable with written documentation of skills portion.
  - d. Copy (front and back) of a valid American Heart Association Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) card. ACLS cards that are obtained online must have hands on skills evaluation with an approved American Heart instructor.
- 3. Submit the appropriate ICEMA fee. Fees paid for accreditation are not refundable or transferable.
- 4. Submit verification of employment or intent to employ as an EMT-P by an authorized ALS service provider or by an EMS provider that has formally requested ALS authorization by ICEMA.
- 5. The EMT-P shall be responsible for notifying ICEMA of any and all changes in name, employer, email and/or mailing address within thirty (30) calendar days of change. This notification/change may be made through the ICEMA EMS Credentialing portal found on the ICEMA website at http://www.ICEMA.net.

#### IV. REFERENCE

Number Name

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